THE GRAND QUILT GUILD

ROW BY ROW PROJECT 2025 – 2026

BLOCK #2 October 8, 2025 Due November 12, 2025

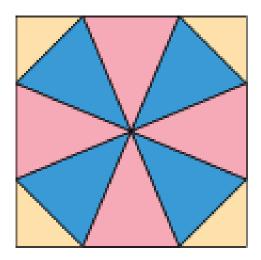
KALEIDOSCOPE QUILT BLOCK

As the name implies, the kaleidoscope quilt is inspired by the symetrical patterns found in a kaleidoscope.

Making a kaleidoscope quilt is an exercise in colour and design. A kaleidoscope quilt can be made with either plain or patterned fabric. It can be said the more colour the better.

You can have a lot of fun with this block, colour wise.

This block pattern requires a template. Please when printing it off – make sure the printer is set to 100%.





Notice how the colour change in the blocks can make a pattern within a pattern.

The kaleidoscope quilt block is constructed basically with a square divided into 8 wedges.

American Artist and Quiltmaker Paula Nadelstern has received international acclaim for her use of stunning colour placement.

This is 6 inch finished (6 ½ inch unfinished) block.

All seams are ¼ inch (unless otherwise stated)

Materials:

Assorted light medium and dark scraps

Template:

- ✓ Make a template from the pattern given
- ✓ Make sure the printer is set at 100% (I have included a 1 inch guide (my computer skills are improving!!) for comparison
- ✓ Use a light weight cardboard like a cereal box

Cut the Fabrics:

Light fabric – cut 4 triangles from template

Dark fabric – cut 4 triangles from same template

Medium fabric $-2 \times 2^{3/4}$ square blocks cut in half diagonally to make a total of 4

triangles

Assemble the Block:

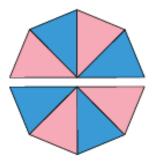
• Sew a dark and a light triangle together to make a pair



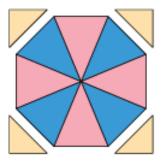




- Then sew the remaining triangles into pairs
- Sew 2 pairs together to make a semi circle
- Repeat with the remaining triangle pairs to make 2 semi circles



- Now join the 2 semi circles together making sure to line up the center point of each semi circle (sewing together several seam lines together can be tricky)
- Press this seam open
- Now add the 4 half triangles to the dark triangles to complete the block



- Press the block and trim the half triangles if necessary
- The block should measure 6 ½ inches
- Now make 6 more
- Have fun!!

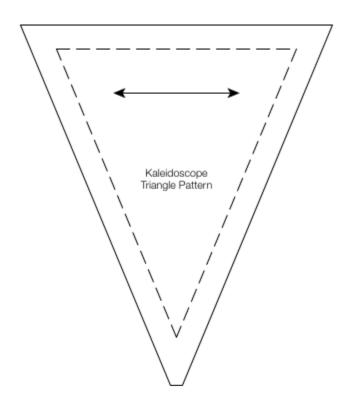
As always, any questions or issues please contact me at davidsonmary@rogers.com

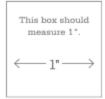
Next sewing get together will be at my house @ Burnett Court Fergus (just up 19^{th} side Rd from Freshco)

Saturday October 18 from 09:00 – 12:00

Please email me if you plan to attend

KALEIDOSCOPE TEMPLATE





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